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INFORMATION REPORT

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1. Imports:

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Commodity	Unit of Measurement	1952 Plan	Realization to 30 June 1953	1953 Plan
a. Mined Products				
Iron ore	000t	406	104	610
Copper ore	000t	-	-	720
Lead ore	000t	-	-	2,000
Apatite	000t	170	102	155
Pyrites	000t	218	88	180
Asbestos	tons	2,500	967	3,000
Mica	tons	280	82	?
b. Chemicals				
Superphosphates	tons	75,000	24,223	70,300
Calc. Soda	tons	15,000	11,565	
Caustic Soda	tons	15,000	4,964	15,000
Borax	tons	3,000	1,302	
Detergents	tons	-	-	50
Alumina	tons	8,000	6,326	4,500
Caprolactan	tons	-	-	55
Inorganic dyes	tons	1,700	Nil	3,100
Organic dyes	tons	-	-	1,700
Red lead chloride	tons	1,500	1,201	? 1
Titanium dioxide	tons	800	206	? 2
Turpentine	tons	1,500	926	27,000
"Benzol"	tons	25,000	15,286	27,000

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Commodity	Unit of Measurement	1952 Plan	Realization to 30 June 1952	1953 Plan
Tanning Agents	tons	3,800	1,014	?
Vegetable Fats	tons	1,150	698	?
Acid Fats	tons	10,700	3,840	8,900 ³
(natural & synthetic)	tons			15,000
Explosives	tons			?
Vegetable Oils		17,500	-	
c. Rubber				
Tires		3,000 (Saetze)(sets)	7,313 (Saetze)(sets)	197,000 ⁴ (Stueck)(tires)
Natural rubber	tons	2,000	1,972	4,000
d. Mineral Oils:				
Petroleum (Erdöl)	tons	250,000	133,000	300,000
Naphthalene	tons	14,000	6,571	229,600
Naphthalene	tons		4,740	
e. Pharmaceuticals:				
Insulin	million units	-	-	250
Streptomycin	kg	-	-	50
Phenacetin	tons	-	-	15
Pyrazolon	kg	-	-	15
Derivatives	kg	-	-	
f. Building Materials:				
Fireproof products	tons	-	-	17,500
Mirror glass	m ²			36,000

2. Exports

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a. Chemicals

Potash (K ₂ O)	000t	422	20	970 ⁵
Sodium sulphate	000t	130	47	140 ⁶
Nitrogen	000t		85	40
Fertilizers:	000t	179	65	?
Ammonium sulphate	000t	129	20	?
Ammonium nitrate	000t	50	16	?
Kaolin	000t	25	2	20
Pyrites	000t	25	11	30 ⁷
Sulphur	000t			?
Sulphur dioxide	tons	2,000	1,195	500
Caustic soda	tons	1,000	375	?
Nitric Acid	tons	1,500	122	35
Calcium carbide	000 tons	30	16	
Magnesium sulphate	tons	-	-	10
Liquid chlorine	tons	15	4	?
Soot	tons	4,650	2,186	?
Inorganic dyes	tons	1,000	192	900
Organic dyes	tons	-	-	2,500
Igelite	tons	10,000	6,022	?
Solvents	tons	14,250	4,816	15,860
Detergents	tons	1,600	825	3,200
Paraldehyde	tons	33,000	26,022	

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Commodity	Unit of Measurement	1952 Plan	Realization to 30 June 1952	1953 Plan
b. Photographic Materials:				
Cinematographic film	000 _m ²	3,091	855	3,500
X-ray Film	000 _m ²	350	90	
Color film	000 _m ²	809	921	2,000
Pharmaceuticals:				
Anti-pest agents	tons	36,500	9,969	3,000
Paints & varnishes	tons	1,500	83	?
Penicillin	million units	340	50	?
Salicylic acid	tons	30	12	10
d. Rubber				
Synthetic rubber	tons	26,000	13,799	28,000
e. Mineral Oils				
Motor spirit	tons	110,000	43,309	85,000 ⁸
Technical spirit	tons	17,500	8,604	?
Aviation spirit	tons	75,000	51,498	?
Diesel Oil	tons	115,000	55,329	100,000 ⁸
Hard paraffin (TTH)	tons	6,000	2,488	?
Paraffin wax	tons	40,000	16,102	?
Lignite wax	tons	8,000	4,523	?
Iso-octane	tons	-	-	17,000
Motor oil	tons	-	-	3,500
f. Building Materials:				
Cement	000 tons	700	308	415 ¹⁰
Window glass	000 m ²			2,450

Comments:

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1. Total 1952 production 3,100 tons of which 35 tons to Soviet Forces in DDR.
2. Total 1952 production 2,400 tons.
3. The 1953 import figure was reduced to 8,900 tons on the understanding that a reduction in soap production was to be reckoned with.
4. The original 1953 import figures stood at only 75,000 tires, but this was considered totally inadequate. Certain sizes have to be imported, as there is no plant in the DDR to produce them.
5. The 1953 export figure was reduced from 1,030,000 tons.
6. Total 1952 production: 243,000 tons.
7. The 1953 export figure originally stood at 40,000 tons, but it was not possible to sustain this and even 30,000 tons is regarded sceptically.
8. The export figure for 1953 may be reduced.
9. This export is exclusively for the USSR.
10. The export figure for 1953 was reduced from 700,000 tons, owing to priority building requirements in DDR.

Comment: All the quantities listed under Mineral Oils were shipped to Russia.

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